



Kansas Health Policy Authority

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CMS Audits/Deferrals/Disallowances Status Report Kansas Health Policy Authority Board Meeting February 20, 2007

Meetings with CMS Regional Office Staff

- M. Nielsen, A. Allison, and B. Langner met with the Tom Lenz and his staff on December 15, 2006 and February 6, 2007 to provide an update on KHPA progress related to Targeted Case Management (TCM), Local Educational Agencies (LEA), and Child Welfare/Mental Health issues
- M. Nielsen, A. Allison, and B. Langner met with Dennis Smith at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in Washington D.C. on February 12, 2007 to provide an update on KHPA progress related to OIG and CMS audit and deferral issues

Meeting with CMS Workgroup

- CMS Workgroup meetings were held on December 20, 2006, January 25, 2007 and February 6, 2007 to discuss progress, ongoing issues, and future actions

Targeted Case Management Activities

- Interagency meetings December 1, December 15, January 12, January 26, and February 9, to review the standardized definition of service, standardized unit for billing, Mercer TCM rate study progress, CMS interpretation of the duplication of services issue, and needed KAR changes to be addressed by various agencies
- Deadline for submission of the rate study surveys is February 5th for the majority of providers and February 12th for JJA organizations. Mercer will follow-up with non-responders the week after the deadline expires
- State Plan Amendment is in the process of being drafted

Local Education Agencies

- CMS has reviewed the State Plan Amendment for School Based Services and the agency continues to respond to their Request for Additional Information related to rate setting methodology and providers of service
- Meeting with CMS Regional expert on January 12, 2007 to discuss issues surrounding bundled rate methodologies
- Guidance from CMS facilitated the agency decision to use a fee for service methodology to pay for LEA services and meetings have been initiated to identify existing Medicaid payment codes used most frequently to provide services in educational settings
- Discussion with school superintendents about requisite changes in Medicaid funded LEA services are ongoing

Child Welfare/Mental Health

- OIG Medicaid Rehabilitation Audit report not yet issued
- The State Plan Amendment for Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility payment was submitted to CMS, has been reviewed, and the agency is addressing questions arising from that review
- A Steering Committee consisting of SRS and KHPA upper management is meeting weekly to address policy issues related to the implementation of the Mental Health payment reforms
- An Implementation team consisting of KHPA, EDS, and SRS staff is meeting weekly to address system changes needed to implement the Mental Health reforms

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